(c) whether allegations have been made that the criteria fixed gy the host-country have not been adhered to ; and

(d) if so, the reasons for the devi tion ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENTS OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS) WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RECOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT) (KUMARI MAMATA BANERJEE) : (a) No, Sir. The fact is that a total of 15 candidates were selected, including 3 of them as reserve candidates for the Japan-sponsored. "Ship for World Youth" Programme, 1992. However, only 9 candidates, 7 of them belonging to the main list and 2 from the reserve list have gone to Japan, as 5 from the main list and one from the reserve list could not go.

(b) The basic criteria prescribed by the Japanese Government for participating youth were that they should be between 20—29 years as on 1-4-91 and have working knowledge of English. The age prescribed for the leader is 30—35 years and he or she should possess leadership qualities.

(c) There was a report in 'Indian Express' dated 20th January, 1992 wherein it was alleged that candidates were included in the last minute, 2 candidates who do not possess working knowledge of English were selected and the ratio of 50:50 between male and female candidate was not observed in the Selection.

(d) There was no last minute inclusion of any candidate. All the candidates deputed were in the originally selected list or in the reserve list. There was also no deviation from the criteria fixed by the host country. All candidates selected fulfil the requirement of working knowledge of English and the host country has not prescribed any ratio between male and female candidates.

Selection Scale of Teachers of Govt. and Aided Schools

621. DR. RATNAKAR PANDEY :
SHRI SHIVPRASAD CHANPURIA :

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) the number of teachers of all categories *i.e.* Post Graduates and Trained Graduate Teachers etc. of Government and Government-aided schools in Delhi who have been given Seleciton Scale during the year 1991 and so far in 1992;

(b) the number of teachers of all categories who are likely to be given Selection Scale during the current year ;

(c) if the answer to part (a) and (b) above be in the negative, what are the reasons therefor; and

(d) by when they are likely to be given the Selection Scale ?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH) : (a) According to Delhi Administration, Selection Scale has been given to 10 teachers of Government Schools and 13 teachers of Government Aided Schools from April, 1991 till date.

(b) About 215 teachers.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) During the current year as stated at (b) above.

Jammu without Engineering College

622. SHRI SHABBIR AHMAD SALARIA : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that there is no Engineering College in Jammu Division of J & K ; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH) : (a) and (b) There is no engineering college at present in Jammu Division of J & K. The All India Council for Technical Education has approved establishment of a State engineering college in Jammu Tawi in 1986 which is not yet set up by the Govt. of J & K.

623. [*Transferred to the 11th March,* 1992.]

Navodaya Vidyalayas

624. CHOWDHRY HARI SINGH : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) the number of districts in the country in which Navodaya Vidyalayas have been set up so far ;

(b) the number of those districts which are yet to be covered under the Scheme and by when those districts are likely to be covered ;

(c) the annual expenditure being incurred by Government on the Navodaya Vidyalayas ; and

(d) the number of students enrolled in those schools during the academic year 1991-92 ?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH) (a) Navodaya Vidyalayas have been opened in 280 of th 460 Districts in the country (The figure of 460 Districts includes 38 districts in the States of West Bengal and Tamil Nadu,which have not opted for the scheme yet).

(b) The Scheme of Navodaya Vidyalayas envisages setting up of one Navodaya Vidyalaya, on an average, in each district of the country. The Government aims, at present, to achieve this objective, if possible, during the next three years, subject to the availability of resources and suitable proposals with requisite facilities from the State Governments concerned.

(c) During 1990-91 an amount of Rs. 100.38 crores was incurred on Navodaya Vidyalayas.

(d) 16203 students have been enrolled in the Navodaya Vidyalayas during 1991-92.

Janardhana Reddy Committee on National Education Policy

625. SHRI KAPIL VERMA :
SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA :

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether the committee set up under the Chairmanship of Mr. N. Janardhana Reddy to study the recommendations of Acharya Rammurti Committee in regard to 1986 National Education Policy, has since submitted its report ;

(b) if so, what are the main recommendations thereof ; and

(c) what is Government's reaction thereto ?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH) : (a) The Central Advisory Board of Education (CABE) Committee on Policy, under the Chairmanship of Shri N. Janardhana Reddy, submitted its report on 2nd January, 1992.

(b) A statement containing the gist of the main recommendations of the report is attached. [*See* Appendix CLXII, Annexure No. 16]

(c) The report is now to be considered by the CABE. The Government will finalise its views on the report after receipt of the CABE's recommendations.

Grants to 'Tarun Sanskar Rajhi'

626. SHRI SHIVPRASAD CHANPURIA : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) what is the amount of grant being given by Government to 'Tarun Sanskar Rajhi' (Jabalpur in Madhya Pradesh) for opening non-formal education centres;

(b) the target opening education centres fixed for this institution and the area carmarked for its operations;

(c) the number of education centres opened by this institution and the number of students who passed from these centres ;

(d) whether it is a fact that no education centre is being run by this institution or is usurping a large amount of grant by cheeting the Government; and

(e) if so, whether Government propose to take action against the person operating this institution ?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH) (a) and (b) An amount of Rs. 2,49,915/- has been released so far as grant-in-aid to the organisation namely 'Tarun Sanskar', Jabalpur (Madhya Pradesh) for the purpose of implementation of a project of 25 NFE centres at the primary level in Block Kundam, District Jablapur (Madhya Pradesh).

(c) and (d) According to the progress reports being furnished by the organisation all the 25 NFE centres sanctioned have been in operation since 1-3-1989. The organisation has submitted accounts of the grant duly certified by Chartered Accountants showing its proper utilisation. Information regarding the number of students who passed from these centres is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House as soon as possible.

(e) Does not arise.

Single history text book

627. DR. G. VIJAYA MOHAN REDDY : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government's proposal to prepare a single history text book for the entire country regarding the developments in post-independent India has suffered a setback ; and

(b) if so, what further efforts Government propose to make to achieve this objective?